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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HOSHI, George et al.**

Group Art Unit: 3753

Serial No.: **09/893,522**Examiner: **FOX, John C.**Filed: **June 29, 2001**

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For. **FLUID CONTROL DEVICE****PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: January 17, 2007

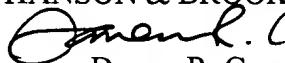
Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2006 and the Office Action dated **November 17, 2006**, further to the Response filed August 14, 2006 and Request for Continued Examination filed October 5, 2006, for one month, from December 17, 2006 to January 17, 2007.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due now or in the future in connection with this application, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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